

PILGRIMS SPRING 'REVOLUTION' ON FORD PEACE SHIP

Delegates Split on Resolution Opposing Preparedness by United States

SOME GUESTS MAY QUIT

ON BOARD STEAMSHIP OSCAR II, by wireless via Steamship Nordica and Cape Race, N. F., Dec. 12—Astonishment at resolutions opposing American preparedness caused a split in the Ford peace expedition today. Efforts are being made to patch up the differences that arose, but it is possible that some of the delegates will leave the ship at the first opportunity after reaching Europe.

Eight members of the delegation refused to sign the resolution. The insurgents are Governor L. R. Hanna, of North Dakota; S. S. McClure, the editor; Herman Bernstein, of New York; John D. Barry, of San Francisco; Senator Helen Ring Robinson, of Colorado; Judge Ben B. Lindsey, of Iowa; and Mrs. W. E. D. Lindsey.

WELCOMER HOLDS GOOD. Henry Ford planned the resolutions and defended their introduction, but said that the delegates who refused to accept them would nevertheless continue to be welcome guests on the ship.

Mr. McClure protested bitterly against the resolutions, which he said conflicted with the invitation extended to the peace delegates. While he did not threaten to leave the party at the first chance, he asserted it was impossible for him to continue in cooperation with it.

Ellis O. Jones, of New York, replying to McClure, sharply defended the resolutions, denied that they conflicted with the spirit of the invitation, and extended and accepted those falling to sign the resolutions of having neglected to study the invitations.

FRAMED BY PREACHERS.

The resolutions were framed by a committee consisting of the Rev. Jenkin Lloyd Jones, of Chicago; the Rev. Charles P. Aked, of St. Louis; and several others. They asked that the resolutions be adopted as the platform of all the delegates. Mr. Ford added his support to that of the majority of the Resolutions Committee. He said that to have faros, the resolutions should be accepted by all. This failed to sway the insurgents, however.

FIRST REAL SNOW HERE; BIG FLAKES STICK FAST

Continued from Page One. It rained for tonight. The temperature was acting in a freakish manner, too. It was 25 at 4 o'clock, then falling to 20 at 10, and then back to 25 at noon. The wind was from the north at 8 o'clock and decreased to 3 or 5 miles an hour, from the north-northwest at 10 o'clock. It was hard to understand this storm, the local forecaster said. It had touched most of the northwestern States. He thought it would be clear tomorrow, when it would probably be clear and considerably colder.

The Weather Bureau called the storm a blizzard, and predicted that it would be a storm that was coming from the Ohio Valley Saturday morning recurred and made a freakish movement southward to the Georgia coast. It has since moved up the coast line and has joined with a disturbance in the lake region to form a troublous depression. These developments delayed the arrival of the snow at Philadelphia 24 hours beyond the expected time. The temperatures have risen somewhat in the northeastern portion of the country, while a cold wave has been moving from the Missouri basin and the western Canadian provinces.

SNOW BLOWS AT WORK.

Little time was lost in starting the work of clearing away the snow. Chief Council, of the Bureau of Highways, announced that the transport company had put 25 snow plows into service, and that in addition eight snow plows were being kept in the city.

In the suburban districts there were 1500 men at work with 200 teams. Chief Council said it would cost the city 45 cents for every cubic yard of snow removed. Blinded by the snow, Vincenzo Guaraderto, of 126 Catherine street, failed to see an approaching express train on the Philadelphia and Reading Railway at 12th and York streets today and was struck and hurled several feet. He is in a serious condition at the Samaritan Hospital with several broken ribs, lacerations at the head and body. Physicians say he may die.

"Sure 'Nuf" Snow in Baltimore

BALTIMORE, Dec. 12.—To the delight of the small city, Baltimore was visited today by a "sure 'nuf" snowstorm. Street car and other traffic was badly hampered. The snow began to fall at midnight and at 3 a. m. when it was three inches deep, there was no indication of a let-up.

White Blanket for Virginia

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The first real snow of the winter blankets northern Virginia and the District of Columbia a depth of three inches, slightly impeding railway traffic and interfering with telephone and telegraphic communication.

N. Y. City Gets Touch of Winter

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—This city and vicinity has a touch of real winter weather today. The cold of last week was followed by a milder day, but in the early hours, but at daylight it had turned to rain.

THE WEATHER

Official Forecast. WASHINGTON, Dec. 12. For eastern Pennsylvania: Probably snow this afternoon and night; Tuesday partly cloudy, not much change in temperature; fresh west winds. The storm that was coming up the Ohio Valley Saturday morning recurred and made a freakish movement southward to the Georgia coast. It has since moved up the coast line and has joined with a disturbance in the lake region to form a troublous depression. These developments delayed the arrival of the snow at Philadelphia 24 hours beyond the expected time. The temperatures have risen somewhat in the northeastern portion of the country, while a cold wave has been moving from the Missouri basin and the western Canadian provinces.

MAY SAVE WOMAN'S LIFE

Victim of Husband's Bullet Has Even Chance for Recovery

Mrs. Preston Powell is unconscious in St. Agnes' Hospital with an even chance for recovery from the effects of a gunshot wound inflicted by her husband, before he killed himself.

MISSING BOY'S FATHER THINKS 'PAL' SPIRITED SON AWAY FOR SPITE

Luke Meekins Tells of Confederate in House-breaking Who Thought He Had "Peached" to the Police

HE HAD MADE THREATS

Luke Meekins, father of Richard Meekins, a 25-year-old boy, who was kidnapped for two weeks, and who, the police believe, was kidnaped today for the first time since the disappearance of his son, named a person whom he suspects may be the kidnapper.

The man named by Meekins, according to his own statement, was his confederate about a year ago, when he was arrested for forcing an entry into a house in the central part of the city. For this offense Meekins served six months in the county jail. His confederate escaped. Meekins believes that the man kidnaped his son because he believed he had "peached" on him to the police.

When the subject of the meeting, Howl, was asked who my friend who aided in breaking into a house, I refused to be equal. Before my boy was kidnaped word reached me that my friend was with me that night and had threatened against me. I am beginning to feel now that it was this man who took away my boy. I would never have violated the law if I had been sober that night.

West Philadelphia business men are considering offering a reward for the arrest and conviction of the kidnapper. At least two organizations, the Woodland Avenue Business Men's Association and the Elmwood Avenue Improvement Association, have taken the matter to their meetings Thursday night. John T. Pedlow, president of the Woodland Avenue Association, said today that he would propose the subject at the meeting. How large a sum would be voted, he did not know. He also was in favor of appointing a committee to visit Councils with the thought that the city offer a substantial reward.

WOMAN FIGHTS THIEF WHO GRABS \$100

Continued from Page One. She was stopped by a youth, about 20 years old.

"Wait a minute, lady," said the youth, as he confronted Mrs. Kirschner. "I don't know you; let me alone," replied Mrs. Kirschner.

The robber ran down Gibson avenue. He was followed by men and women. The chase led into 61st street and up Elmwood avenue. After reaching Elmwood avenue, the youth disappeared. He is described as being about 20 years old, 5 feet 6 inches tall, weighing about 170 pounds and wore dark clothes and a red sweater. The hold-up was reported by Captain of Detectives Cameron, who immediately assigned several detectives to the case.

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"BANANA TRUST" CASE KEEPS ITS TIRELESS WAY

Sixth Week of \$15,000,000 Suit Begins—Likely to Extend Into 1916. The "Banana Trust" suit, wherein the Bluefield Steamship Company is suing the United Fruit Company in Judge Thompson's branch of the United States District Court, is dragging through another day.

TWO DAYS STUDY EACH WEEK FOR WORKING PUPILS

Continuation School Hours Fixed for Children Between 14 and 16

EMPLOYERS TO HELP

Children between the ages of 14 and 16 employed in the stores and factories of this city will attend continuation schools for two days each week, according to an announcement made today at the headquarters of the Board of Education by Louis Nusbaum, associate superintendent of schools.

Mr. Nusbaum's decision is of interest to the 2000 boys and girls affected by the new child labor law and to the many hundreds of employers who will be obliged to meet its requirements. It was known that these minors would be obliged to attend the continuation classes, but the manner in which this attendance would be required had not been determined.

Eight hours of study are definitely stipulated in the new law. But the sentiment of employers throughout the week is left to the discretion of the educational authorities.

Mr. Nusbaum said that some of the employers favored a single eight-hour school day for each week and had expressed their wishes to him on the subject. He explained to them, however, that eight hours of continuous study would be harmful to the children, and they received a willingness to abide by Mr. Nusbaum's decision.

The employers will be excused by their employers for one morning of one afternoon of each week. An effort will be made to cooperate with the stores and factories in arranging the study schedule so that the schools will interfere as little as possible with the business establishments.

A letter was received today by the Board of Education from the State Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Nathan C. Attorney General on the time schedule of the continuation schools. The opinion was to the effect that while the law specified eight hours a week, the deviation of 16 hours to study in alternate weeks would not be illegal. The school system will not take advantage of this opinion, however, except in rare cases, if Mr. Nusbaum's decision is carried out.

TRACED TO THIS CITY, SPY CAUGHT AT SEA

Continued from Page One. Circles of the Hotel Hanover a man had taken a room on November 8 and had had his trunk sent to New York on that day. He usually remarked to the baggage man that he was going to South America.

When he had given up his room at the hotel and gone to 1206 Arch street, a rooming house, but the landlady could not remember what name he had given her. The name of the hotel was given to the "C. Gastine," in a foreign-language hand, with no address given.

Was "C. Gastine" the name given by the mysterious traveler at the Cook office? Well, his name was "C. Gastine" as his first initial, and the "Gastine" sounded very much like the name he gave them, but there was a slight difference.

At any rate, it was precisely this man, whatever his name is whom the detectives had in mind when they searched after the fire as one implicated in the conspiracy to burn the plant down. They followed the trail to the Cook agency here, but the name of the man started above after the steamship Vauban had left New York city, bound for Montevideo and other ports on the South American coast.

The detectives and Government agents immediately gave their information about the blond man, whom they described as a German officer of high rank, his name as "C. Gastine," a former soldier with faked passports, to the State Department at Washington, and the State Department said "Stop the steamship Vauban" and "Arrest him."

She was on her way south to Montevideo, Uruguay, and other South American ports. She was to arrive there here, but the ship was arrested and "C. Gastine" was taken to the Montevideo pier it was boarded by German officer of high rank. He could hide easily enough in South America, which is full of jungle, and perhaps come up on the other side of the continent to San Francisco, to start in again at the work of blowing up munitions factories.

There was a scant two weeks to get him before the Vauban rubbed along the pier at Montevideo. The State Department was notified, and it promptly notified the British Embassy, for British ships are as good as American policemen and as willing, when it comes to catching the men who blow up munitions factories, as their fortunes told them, they were arrested to chase the Vauban, and she died.

She caught the steamship in the neck of time, off the South American coast. Captain Hyre, of the British ship Vauban, was only too pleased to stop his engines and take on board a searching party, which put the suspected passenger under arrest. A few days later, on December 6, the Vauban docked at Montevideo without the officer.

He was taken on the British cruiser to Port-of-Spain, capital of Trinidad, British possession in the West Indies. He was taken to a British fortress on that island of palms, bread-fruits, mangoes, and water, in a balmly climate very unlike that of snowy and blustery Philadelphia. The climate of Trinidad is not only balmy, but malarial, and fortresses are placed for purposes strategic rather than sanitary.

The story of the spy's imprisonment is according to Captain Bullen, of the Lamport & Holt liner Tennyson, which arrived at New York yesterday from South America. He said it was no secret diary in the Caribbean, where news travels fast.

Chilly in Northern New York

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Below-zero rather in reported today from Carthage, Massena, Potsdam, and other points of northern New York.

TO BE CHINA'S EMPEROR



The coronation of President Yuan Shi-Kai as Emperor is expected to take place in January. The reversion of China to a monarchy is already arousing opposition among the Chinese in this country, who dub Yuan a reactionary.

ELECTRIC CO. FILES LIST OF ALLOWANCES

Appraisal Expert Gives Public Service Commission Itemized Account

An itemized account of the allowances added to the actual valuation of the Philadelphia Electric Company was furnished today by Prof. D. V. Jackson, the appraisal expert, who made the valuation for the Philadelphia Electric Company, at the resumed hearing of the complaint by Director Cooke and others against the company's rates for current.

The total amount of these allowances is \$3,810,000, this sum being included in the total valuation figures of \$5,282,045. Professor Jackson had not prepared the actual figures for the various items under the head of allowances at the hearing last week, and prepared them today by order of the commission.

Most of the items making up the allowance total were obtained by adding 2 per cent, although in the item of superintendence the addition was 3 per cent. The largest single item in the list is of \$1,252,000, for interest on money at 6 per cent, during the course of construction.

PLAN NEW POSTOFFICE HERE TO COST \$4,000,000

Continued from Page One. It would mean a saving of \$107,000 in fixed charges annually.

Although all the plans have not yet been completed, it has been decided that the proposed building shall be 384 by 308 feet. It will be erected at first to a height of only two stories and, as additional floors may be added as business requires.

By way of contrast, the Postmaster said that the new building, if placed on Market street, would have 100,000 square feet on the first floor, while the present building has but 70,000 square feet.

The recommendations made by the local Congressman will be embodied in a report to the Treasury Department and this report will be given to Congressmen Clark, of the Public Building Committee.

The bill providing for an appropriation will then be introduced before Congress. The Postmaster said there was absolutely no politics in the matter and excused the hope that all members of Congress, regardless of party affiliations, would work together for its realization.

E. J. Berlet, of the Walnut Street Business Men's Association, said in discussing the plans for the new postoffice: "All of the sites are so close that there isn't much choice between them, unless the Arch street site fronts on the Parkway. Then I should say put it there. That's the place for municipal buildings."

Police Seek Mail Box Robbers

Thefts from mail boxes in apartment houses, office buildings and factories have become so frequent that the postal authorities have asked Acting Superintendent of Police Davis to make an effort to catch the thieves. The acting superintendent sent out an order to the police today urging more vigilance in watching these mail boxes.

Dentist Wins Verdict

A verdict of \$375 was rendered today in the Municipal Court before Judge Bonwell in favor of Dr. Charles Pockelman, a dentist, against Dr. Samuel S. Barr, also a dentist. The latter admitted that he sold to Doctor Pockelman a college certificate of no value, but contended that Doctor Pockelman could not recover because he knew the certificate was no good.

PITTSBURGH FOUNDRIES TIED UP BY STRIKE

Molders Declare Walkout—Demand 8-Hour Day—From 65 to 70 Plants Affected

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 12.—Thousands of dollars in war munitions and other contracts were tied up today when between 100 and 100 molders struck in 65 to 70 foundries in Pittsburgh and vicinity.

"We tried patiently for a month and a half to obtain the eight-hour day for the molders without a strike," said Business Agent Barie, "but without success."

No trouble is expected. The strike has the approval of the International Molders' Union and the men will receive strike benefits.

The strike, which has been brewing for two months, is part of the movement of molders all over the country to bring about a short-hour working day. The movement has affected foundries employing from 15 to 20 men throughout Allegheny County. Thus far only the molders and core-makers are idle, but an extended strike will cause a stop of practically all other departments.

CLAIRVOYANT ENDS HER LIFE WITH GAS

Mrs. Elizabeth Hoffman Said She Predicted Two Years Ago That War Would Come

Mrs. Elizabeth Hoffman, who had been a clairvoyant in this city for 34 years, died today at her home. She was 67 years old.

She lived at 506 North Franklin street. During her long career she had been known for her predictions of persons, many of them prominent and rich, and it is reported that she was wealthy. Nevertheless she had been in ill health and today she decided to end her life.

She was the wife of Mrs. Ada Clark, with whom she lived, out of the house on an errand. When Mrs. Clark returned, the odor of gas attracted her to the bathroom. There she found her wife's body. Mrs. Hoffman held a rubber tube, attached to an open gas jet, in her mouth.

Mrs. Hoffman had scarcely been dead half an hour when persons who wanted to look at their fortunes told her, they daily visits to the house. The callers were turned away by the announcement that the old fortune teller was dead.

Mrs. Hoffman started her work as a clairvoyant when she was 17 years old, and had been at it ever since. She lived in the Franklin street house for 20 years. It is said that two years ago Mrs. Hoffman made a prophecy that a terrible world catastrophe was impending. She said the war in Europe was the fulfillment of her prophecy.

JAPAN PRIME MOVER IN INTRIGUE TO RESTORE MONARCHY IN CHINA

Nothing in Placing of Yuan on the Throne to "Menace the Peace of the Far East"

FOREIGNERS FOR CHANGE

The following statement was prepared especially for the United Press by Thomas F. Millard, editor of the China Press, Shanghai, author of "The New Far East," "America and the Far Eastern Question," and internationally recognized as one of the foremost American authorities on Far Eastern subjects. Millard arrived in Washington from China last week.

By THOMAS F. MILLARD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The real significance of Yuan Shi-Kai's reported acceptance of the dragon throne of China at this time does not appear on the surface, but lies behind a veil of diplomatic maxims, with Japan as prime mover in the game. Any understanding of present conditions of China turns on this fundamental fact.

There is nothing in a change from a so-called constitutional monarchy to a monarchy, of itself, to disturb China at this time or to "menace the peace of the Far East," as is by the Japanese Foreign Minister, is quoted as saying in the Japanese Diet. China is in no real danger, has in recent years menaced the peace of the Far East or any other part of the world. The main points should be got straight, with Japan as prime mover in the game. Any understanding of present conditions of China turns on this fundamental fact.

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TENDERLOIN LID TO BE KEPT ON, NEW MAYOR SAYS

He Promises Continuance of Blankenburg Policy

WILSON GIVES PLEDGE

Reports have come to me for months past that members of the so-called "Trust" of this city have been steadily emigrating to Philadelphia.—Police Commissioner Wood, of New York city.

The lid will be kept on the Tenderloin just as tight as it has been during the present administration, and other plans for the enforcement of law and order in the Tenderloin district will be continued. Mayor-elect Thomas H. Smith and the new Director of Public Safety made this assertion this afternoon in the course of a visit to Director of Public Safety Dripps.

Present at the conference was Captain Harry C. Davis, who will be assistant director under Mr. Wilson. It was also learned that the incoming officials also approved of the school for training policemen and firemen, and will continue it during their administration.

"I was assured," said Director Dripps, after the conference, that the new Mayor and his Director of the Department of Public Safety would keep the lid on the Tenderloin with as much energy as it is being watched at present.

At the present time only eight men from the districts "Trust" of this city are in the "quarantine squad." One goes to work at midnight and the other at 12 o'clock noon. The old-timers in the Tenderloin, because of this, openly laugh at the statements that the lid is not to be lifted.

Director Dripps is the authority for the statement that most of the old resorts have been closed. He says that many of them are doing business quietly. He asserts that every possible means will be taken to prevent the reopening of the Tenderloin, however. Yet he says that the lid is not to be lifted.

New York's vice problem is being solved by the reports spread broadcast throughout the country that Philadelphia is to be "wide open." Police Commissioner Wood, of New York, is quoted by newsmen in that city today as saying that those who thrive by vice have been flocking to this city in large numbers.

The big obstacle to swift action in clearing up the district, according to Director Dripps, is the rule of the Municipal Court that street walkers shall not be sent to jail until they appear before the court a second time. Because of the difference of opinion between the department and the courts as to what constitutes evidence, convictions are difficult.

Jeweler Pleads Guilty

William Waltz, of Lansdowne avenue, a watch repairer, pleaded guilty in Quarter Sessions Court today to charges of larceny by bail